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#### §35.2105 Debarment and suspension.

The applicant shall indicate whether it used the services of any individual, organization, or unit of government for facilities planning or design work whose name appears on the master list of debarments, suspensions, and voluntary exclusions. See 40 CFR 32.400. If the applicant indicates it has used the services of a debarred individual or firm, EPA will closely examine the facilities plan, design drawings and specifications to determine whether to award a grant. EPA will also determine whether the applicant should be found non-responsible under part 30 of this subchapter or be the subject of possible debarment or suspension under part 32 of this subchapter.

#### §35.2106 Plan of operation.

The applicant shall submit a draft plan of operation that addresses development of: An operation and maintenance manual; an emergency operating program; personnel training; an adequate budget consistent with the user charge system approved under §35.2140; operational reports; laboratory testing needs; and an operation and maintenance program for the complete waste treatment system.

## § 35.2107 Intermunicipal service agreements.

If the project will serve two or more municipalities, the applicant shall submit the executed intermunicipal agreements, contracts or other legally binding instruments necessary for the financing, building and operation of the proposed treatment works. At a minimum they must include the basis upon which costs are allocated, the formula by which costs are allocated, and the manner in which the cost allocation system will be administered. The Regional Administrator may waive this requirement provided the applicant can demonstrate:

- (a) That such an agreement is already in place; or
- (b) Evidence of historic service relationships for water supply, wastewater or other services between the affected communities regardless of the existence of formal agreements, and
- (c) That the financial strength of the supplier agency is adequate to continue

the project, even if one of the proposed customer agencies fails to participate.

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# § 35.2108 Phased or segmented treatment works.

Grant funding may be awarded for a phase or segment of a treatment works, subject to the limitations of §35.2123, although that phase or segment does not result in compliance with the enforceable requirements of the Act, provided:

- (a) The grant agreement requires the recipient to make the treatment works of which the phase or segment is a part operational and comply with the enforceable requirements of the Act according to a schedule specified in the grant agreement regardless of whether grant funding is available for the remaining phases and segments; and
- (b) Except in the case of a grant solely for the acquisition of eligible real property, one or more of the following conditions exist:
- (1) The Federal share of the cost of building the treatment works would require a disproportionate share of the State's annual allotment relative to other needs or would require a major portion of the State's annual allotment:
- (2) The period to complete the building of the treatment works will cover three years or more:
- (3) The treatment works must be phased or segmented to meet the requirements of a Federal or State court order; or
- (4) The treatment works is being phased or segmented to build only the less-than-secondary facility pending a final decision on the applicant's request for a secondary treatment requirement waiver under section 301(h) of the Act.

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## §35.2109 Step 2+3.

The Regional Administrator may award a Step 2+3 grant which will provide the Federal share of an allowance under appendix B and the estimated allowable cost of the project only if: